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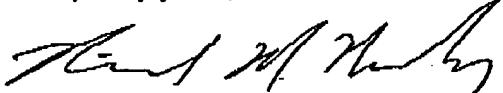
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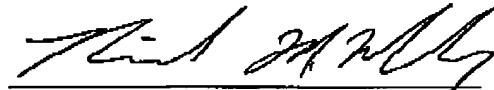
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To the Honorable Commissioner:

This Amendment "D" is filed pursuant to 37. C.F.R. 1.116 in response to Office Action mailed December 9, 2005. Applicant requests entry of this amendment and reconsideration of the final rejection.

Please amend the above-identified application in the following manner and consider the following remarks prior to further examination thereof.

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